

Dear FCC,

I have recently been made aware of an effort to stop Satellite Radio providers from offering useful services to it's customers by the NAB such as local weather and traffic. I understand the NAB has concerns about losing market share to new and emerging technologies that are available, but in a free market, capitalistic society, that is the price of taking advantage of consumers who have little alternative for news and information that they can get when they need it. What our FM and AM airwaves lack in reception, quality, and quantity of news and services needed by motorist and boaters alike, has now been provided by a service I CHOOSE to pay a monthly fee for. The ability to get current traffic and weather information makes commuting much easier and gives me useful updates when out on the water on the bay. Because the NAB and current large media conglomerates have not had any real competition to keep them in check for so many years, they have been able to put out below par, advertisement filled garbage with little concern for anything but their pockets. Now that consumers have a choice, instead of fixing the issues that consumers have been complaining about for as long as I have had a radio, they choose to lobby our elected officials and the FCC to legislate in their favor so they can continue monopolizing the airwaves and profit without improving the service they themselves provide. There is nothing more in contrast to a free market economy then the stifling legislation that the NAB would have you Enact to protect their market share. Please do what is best for consumers and let us decide. Keep competition alive and let everyone benefit.

Thank you for your time.